## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please amend the claims, as follows:

- 1-7. (Canceled)
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method for dimensioning <u>a number of radio carriers in a</u> cell of a mobile telecommunications network, the cell being suitable for managing data calls associated to <u>with data terminals having different terminal capabilities</u>, the cell comprising a plurality of status, the method comprising:

categorizing the data calls as a plurality of data traffic streams, whereby each data traffic stream is associated with a different data terminal capability;

identifying a set of possible cell statuses associated with the cell, each possible cell status corresponding to a different set of values  $\{m_1, m_2, \dots m_N\}$  where  $m_i$  represents a number of data terminals associated with the  $i^{th}$  data traffic stream and N represents the total number of data traffic streams;

determining, for each data traffic stream, an upper limit for limiting the number of data terminals that can be associated with the data traffic stream; said plurality of status associated to said cell accessed by a plurality of different traffic streams associated to said data terminals;

limiting the number of possible cell statuses based on the upper limits respectively determined for the data traffic streams;

sequence of data terminals used to access the cell; medium death frequencies of a single cell status by considering determined sequences of users accessing the cell and having a different repartition of frequency of death;

determining, for each of the limited number of possible cell statuses, one or more data-call death frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are terminated in the data traffic streams, the one or more data-call death frequencies for a possible cell status being determined based on the at least one sequence of data terminals used to access the cell in that possible cell status;

determining, for each of the limited number of possible cell statuses, one or more data-call arrival frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are initiated in the data traffic streams;

determining a global-set of cell status probabilities of said-for the cell on the basis of the determined data-call data call-arrival frequencies and of the medium data-call death frequencies of data calls; and

dimensioning said the cell on the basis of said the determined global set of cell status probabilities.

9. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 8, <u>further comprising:</u>

wherein the step of limiting the number of said plurality of status comprises the step of separately <u>analysing analyzing</u> each <u>data</u> traffic stream of <u>said-the</u> plurality of <u>data</u> traffic streams <u>to determine the upper limit for the number of offered by said-data</u> terminals <u>that can be associated with the data traffic stream</u>.

- 10. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 8, wherein each of said determined sequences the at least one determined sequence of data terminals is has associated with a set of sequences having the same repartition of the data-call death frequency. of the death.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The method according to the claim 8, wherein the network is a TDMA or TDMA/FDMA type network.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 8, wherein the network is a GPRS type network.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A cell of a mobile telecommunications network suitable for managing data calls associated with of different type data terminals having different terminal capabilities, a number of radio carriers in the cell capable of being dimensioned by performing a method comprising:

categorizing the data calls as a plurality of data traffic streams, whereby each data traffic stream is associated with a different data terminal capability;

identifying a set of possible cell statuses associated with the cell, each possible cell status corresponding to a different set of values  $\{m_1, m_2, \dots m_N\}$  where  $m_i$  represents a number of data terminals associated with the  $i^{th}$  data traffic stream and N represents the total number of data traffic streams;

determining, for each possible cell status, one or more data-call death

frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are terminated in the data traffic streams;

determining, for each possible cell status, one or more data-call arrival frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are initiated in the data traffic streams;

determining a set of cell status probabilities for the cell on the basis of the

determined data-call arrival frequencies and data-call death frequencies; and

dimensioning the cell on the basis of the determined set of cell status

probabilities.

, dimensioned by the method of any one of claims 8 to 12.

14. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-readable medium storing instructions computer program product</u> directly loadable in <u>the an</u> internal memory of at least a computer <u>and capable of being executed by at least the computer, the instructions and including software code portions capable of performing the method of any one of claims 8 to 12, when said product is capable of being run on at least a computer a method for <u>dimensioning a number of radio carriers in a cell of a mobile telecommunications</u> network, the cell being suitable for managing data calls associated with data terminals having different terminal capabilities, the method comprising:</u>

categorizing the data calls as a plurality of data traffic streams, whereby each data traffic stream is associated with a different data terminal capability;

identifying a set of possible cell statuses associated with the cell, each possible cell status corresponding to a different set of values  $\{m_1, m_2, \ldots m_N\}$  where  $m_i$  represents a number of data terminals associated with the i<sup>th</sup> data traffic stream and N represents the total number of data traffic streams;

determining, for each possible cell status, one or more data-call death

frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are terminated in the
data traffic streams;

determining, for each possible cell status, one or more data-call arrival frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are initiated in the data traffic streams;

determining a set of cell status probabilities for the cell on the basis of the

determined data-call arrival frequencies and data-call death frequencies; and

dimensioning the cell on the basis of the determined set of cell status

probabilities.

## Please add the following new claims 15-17:

15. (New) The method according to claim 8, wherein each determined upper limit corresponds to a maximum number of data terminals associated with a data traffic stream.

16. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

determining the maximum number of data terminals associated with a data traffic stream based on a probability of having the maximum number of data terminals in the data traffic stream.

17. (New) A method for dimensioning a number of radio carriers in a cell of a mobile telecommunications network, the cell being suitable for managing data calls associated with data terminals having different terminal capabilities, the method comprising:

categorizing the data calls as a plurality of data traffic streams, whereby each data traffic stream is associated with a different data terminal capability;

identifying a set of possible cell statuses associated with the cell, each possible cell status corresponding to a different set of values  $\{m_1, m_2, \ldots m_N\}$  where  $m_i$  represents a number of data terminals associated with the  $i^{th}$  data traffic stream and N represents the total number of data traffic streams;

determining, for each possible cell status, one or more data-call death frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are terminated in the data traffic streams;

determining, for each possible cell status, one or more data-call arrival frequencies corresponding to frequencies with which data calls are initiated in the data traffic streams;

determining a set of cell status probabilities for the cell on the basis of the determined data-call arrival frequencies and data-call death frequencies; and

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dimensioning the cell on the basis of the determined set of cell status probabilities.